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IN THE UNITED STATES PATENT AND TRADEMARK OFFICE

In re Application of:

Inventor: Gary Brian Merrill, et al.) Group Art Unit: 1731
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Title: METHOD FOR MAKING A HIGH TEMPERATURE EROSION RESISTANT MATERIAL CONTAINING COMPACTED HOLLOW GEOMETRIC SHAPES

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Washington, D.C. 20231

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3-13-03**RESPONSE TO OFFICE ACTION**

In response to the Office Communication mailed 12/13/2002, Applicants respectfully submit the following amendments and remarks in connection with the above-identified application. Amendments to the specification and claims are presented beginning on the following page.